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Legislative Assembly of Saskatchewan
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Dear Mr. Speaker:

It is my honour to transmit to you for Tabling in the Legislative Assembly, the Ninth Annual Report of the Saskatchewan Legislative Internship Program (2010).

I want to thank you and all Members of the Legislative Assembly for your support of this very important program. I also want to thank the Members who worked with the Interns and assisted in this learning experience.

Sincerely,

Ken Pontikes
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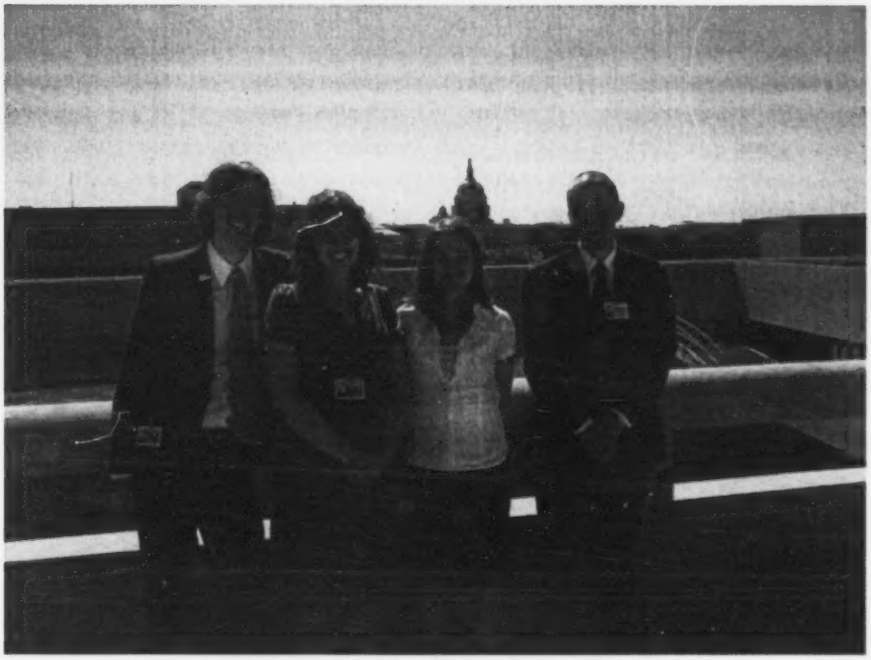

2010 Saskatchewan Legislative Interns
Michael Selnes, Sheena Gordon, Elise Lonie, Craig Fink

2010 Highlights

- In 2010, the Saskatchewan Legislative Internship Program completed its ninth consecutive year of operations.

- Four interns participated this year. Since its inception and including this year's interns, the Program's alumni now consist of 38 interns who have been mentored by 46 current and former members of the Legislative Assembly of Saskatchewan. (For a complete list of alumni and MLA mentors, please refer to the Saskatchewan Legislative Internship Program's website: www.legassembly.sk.ca/internship.)

- The Co-operators Group increased its amount of funding to financial-partner status, from its previous level as a corporate sponsor.

- Rawlco Radio's commitment to provide funding for two First Nations or Métis university students to serve as Rawlco Aboriginal Saskatchewan Legislative Interns has been completed.

- The comparative study tour was undertaken in two components – Toronto and Ottawa from February 25 to March 5, 2010 and New York (New York), Washington (District of Columbia), and Richmond (Virginia), as well as sight-seeing side-trips to Philadelphia (Pennsylvania) and Dover (Delaware), from June 1-6, 2010.

- The Saskatchewan Legislative Interns had an opportunity to meet with interns participating in the Manitoba Legislative Internship Program, the Ontario Legislative Internship Program, the Parliamentary Internship Program, and the Virginia Commonwealth University Legislative Internship Program.

- The University of Saskatchewan revised the academic designation of the internship from a 300-level to a 400-level course. As a result, both the University of Saskatchewan and the University of Regina have comparable designations for the university courses associated with the Program.

Overview of the Program

The Saskatchewan Legislative Internship Program (SLIP) provides four senior university students or recent graduates with an opportunity to experience the day-to-day operations of the Legislative Assembly of Saskatchewan. Interns are paired with elected members of the Assembly who serve as mentors and provide a practical perspective on the role and work of MLAs. During their seven-month internship, participants are assigned for approximately three months with an MLA from the government caucus and for another similar period with an MLA from the opposition caucus.

In addition to the practical experience provided through the MLA mentors, the Program contains significant academic components. The interns receive six academic course-credits at either the University of Saskatchewan or the University of Regina. These credits are determined through evaluations of the interns' participation during the Program and through the preparation of an

individual research paper and group reports on assigned projects and travel experiences. One of the travel experiences involves visiting parliaments and legislative assemblies in other jurisdictions in order to allow for comparisons with their internship experiences in Saskatchewan.

2010 Interns and Mentors

Our 2010 Saskatchewan Legislative Interns

Interns are chosen by a seven-person selection committee from applications received each year. For 2010, this committee selected the following four Saskatchewan Legislative Interns:

- Craig Fink from Regina has a Bachelor of Arts degree (double major in English and Political Studies) with Great Distinction from the University of Regina.
- Sheena Gordon from Regina has a Bachelor of Arts degree (major in Geography) with High Honours from the University of Regina.
- Elise Lonie from Strasbourg is pursuing a Bachelor of Arts degree with a double honours major in political science and history at the University of Regina.
- Michael Selnes from Melfort has a Bachelor of Arts degree (double major in history and the German language) with distinction from the University of Calgary.

Biographies for each intern appear in Appendix A of this report.

Our 2010 Legislative Mentors

Four members of the government caucus and four members of the opposition caucus within the Legislative Assembly of Saskatchewan volunteered to serve as mentors to the 2010 interns. The MLAs were assigned to the interns as follows:

Intern	First Term	Second Term
Craig Fink	Warren McCall (Opposition) Regina-Elphinstone Centre	Greg Ottenbreit (Government) Yorkton
Sheena Gordon	David Forbes (Opposition) Saskatoon Centre	Glen Hart (Government) Last Mountain-Touchwood
Elise Lonie	Tim McMillan (Government) Lloydminster	Judy Junor (Opposition) Saskatoon Eastview
Michael Selnes	Randy Weekes (Government) Biggar	Sandra Morin (Opposition) Regina Walsh Acres

Two MLAs – Tim McMillan and Randy Weekes – served as mentors to Saskatchewan Legislative Interns for the first time this year. Taking into account their participation in previous years, Greg Ottenbreit mentored his second intern; David Forbes, his third: Judy Junor and Warren McCall, their fourth; and Glen Hart mentored his fifth intern in 2010. Sandra Morin volunteered as a mentor for her sixth intern this year and currently holds the distinction of mentoring the largest number of interns since the inception of the Program.

We would like to thank the MLAs who served as mentors during the 2010 Saskatchewan Legislative Internship Program. They and their staff are an integral part of the Program which would not exist without their support.

2010 Program

Orientation Component

The Office of the Clerk of the Legislative Assembly organized orientation meetings for the interns, most of which took place during the first two weeks of the internship. The orientation component of the Program included meetings with His Honour the Lieutenant Governor, Mr. Speaker, staff and officers of the Legislative Assembly, representatives of government and opposition caucuses, and representatives of the news media and of central agencies in executive government. A list of the people who met with the interns is provided in Appendix C.

Core Component

The interns began their assignments with four members of the Legislative Assembly (two from the government caucus and two from the opposition caucus) on January 25, 2010. These assignments continued until April 16, 2010. The interns were then reassigned to another four members from the other side of the House (two from the government caucus and two from the government caucus). The second term assignments concluded on July 3, 2010.

> *"[The staff in MLA Sandra Morin's constituency office] included me in almost everything that was being done in the office. In addition to working on some research files, I was given a couple of case files to work on and got to sit in on meetings with constituents who stopped by the office. The case work was fascinating, because I got to sit in on meetings with constituents, learn about their challenges and see what I could do to help rectify the situation. I could see how if certain people couldn't get an answer to a question, or felt as though they were treated unfairly, a quick call to a government department from an MLA's office would get the answer quite quickly. You could tell that government bureaucrats did not want to deal with an angry MLA and usually did everything they could to rectify a situation as quickly as possible."*
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> *Michael Selnes, 2010 Intern*

During their assignment to private members, the interns were given opportunities to accompany their assigned members to meetings, conferences, and consultations. The interns also visited constituency offices and experienced the work that MLAs do to address the concerns and interests of their constituents. All expenses incurred by the interns in participating in these events and activities were paid by the Program.

Some of the experiences provided to individual interns through the support and assistance of their assigned MLAs included:

Craig Fink
- Toured uranium mine and mill at McArthur River and McClean Lake
- Participated in a sweat lodge ceremony and feast near the Dojack Centre in Regina
- Attended a round dance, pipe ceremony, and feast at the Core Ritchie Centre in Regina, as well as a soup-and-bannock lunch with members of the Indian-Métis Christian Fellowship
- Met with the Saskatchewan Student Coalition
- Attended a briefing by officials of the Saskatchewan Ministry of Finance for the provincial Opposition caucus

Elise Lonie
- Attended a committee hearing on budget estimates for the Ministry of Health (Standing Committee on Human Services, Legislative Assembly of Saskatchewan)
- Attended Saskatchewan Teachers' Institute on Parliamentary Democracy
- Attended Seniors and their Money Conference (sponsored by the Saskatchewan Seniors Mechanism)
- Attended Elders' Abuse Awareness Workshop (sponsored by Saskatoon Council on Aging)

Sheena Gordon
- Attended meeting with Karl Tischler, Municipal Program Leader, SaskPower Eneraction
- Attended keynote presentation by Dr. Patrick Moore at a geothermal energy symposium in Regina
- Attended a meeting with representatives of the Prairie Valley School Division
- Attended a meeting with the Saskatchewan Association of Social Workers
- Observed proceedings of a family-court session
- Visited the Saskatoon Open Door Society and Saskatoon Community Youth Art Programming (SCYAP)
- Attended a meeting of the Caswell Community Association in Saskatoon

Michael Selnes
- Met with Kelly Block, Member of Parliament, Saskatoon-Rosetown Biggar
- Visited two Hutterite colonies (Sunnydale and Eagle Creek)
- Attended a meeting with the trustees of the Sunwest School Division
- Met with Vice-chief Lyle Whitefish, Federation of Saskatchewan Indian Nations

This list does not include all of the interns' mentorship experiences with their MLAs. However, it illustrates the range of activities, events, and meetings that occurred as part of the core component of the Program.

Academic Component

The Saskatchewan Legislative Internship Program provides interns with six academic credits towards an undergraduate degree, through its recognition as a course at the University of Saskatchewan (Political Studies 382.6) and the University of Regina (Political Science 480). Interns are required to register in one of these courses in order to participate in the Program. In addition to the course credits, enrolment in these courses provides each intern with student benefits, such as liability insurance, Workers' Compensation coverage, and health benefits.

At the end of the internship, each intern received a grade which recognized his or her participation in the program. Each intern's final grade was determined by the director, based on the following weighting:

Grading Component	Weighting Factor (%)
Evaluation of an individually-prepared research paper on a topic pertaining to legislative processes, public policy, politics or public administration	55
Evaluation of a jointly-prepared report on the interns' comparative study (out-of-province) trip	15
Evaluation of each intern's activities with his or her assigned MLA	10
Evaluation of the interns' joint participation in a community-based activity in a volunteer capacity	10
Evaluation of each intern's completion of assigned administrative duties relating to their internship	10

With respect to the research papers, the following are the titles of the papers that the 2010 interns submitted in partial fulfillment of the academic component of their internship:

Craig Fink	First Nations University: Struggling Through Adversity Toward a Better Future
Sheena Gordon	Winding Down the Saskatchewan Communication Network
Elise Lonie	Electoral Reform in Saskatchewan
Michael Selnes	Should Youth Tobacco Possession be Illegal in Saskatchewan? A Case Study on Youth Tobacco Purchase, Use and Possession Laws

Copies of these papers have been filed with the Office of the Clerk of the Legislative Assembly of Saskatchewan.

Beginning with the 2011 internship, the University of Saskatchewan has revised the academic designation of the internship from a 300-level to a 400-level course. SLIP interns from this University will be enrolled in Political Studies 482.6. As a result, both the University of Saskatchewan and the University of Regina will now have comparable designations for the university courses associated with the Program.

Intern Development Component

The intern development component is undertaken through a special fund ("intern development fund"), which is supported by university, corporate, and organizational sponsors, as well as donations from individuals. The fund is administratively managed by the University of Saskatchewan.

In-Province Experiences

The intern development fund is used to support special projects that are identified by the interns to enhance their experience in the Program. These projects include transportation and accommodation costs related to the interns' travel to other jurisdictions, as well as attendance at workshops, conferences, meetings, and consultations with major organizations and with people in leadership positions from various sectors of Saskatchewan. The interns are responsible for all of the logistical arrangements associated with these projects.

In 2010, the interns' in-province experiences included attending the following conventions and events as observers/visitors:

Convention, Saskatchewan Association of Rural Municipalities
Convention, Saskatchewan Association of Health Organizations
Conference, Saskatchewan Chamber of Commerce
Convention, Saskatchewan New Democratic Party
Convention, Saskatchewan Party
Convention, Saskatchewan Urban Municipalities Association
Pow Wow, Muskeg Lake First Nation
Winter Assembly, Saskatchewan Federation of Indian Nations

The 2010 interns were also provided the opportunity to meet with the following community and political leaders:

Current and former Provincial Politicians
Mr. Roy Romanow, former Premier of Saskatchewan
Mr. Rick Swenson, Leader, Progressive Conservative Party of Saskatchewan

Municipal leaders and officials:
Mayor Don Atchison, City of Saskatoon
Mayor Pat Fiacco, City of Regina
Mayor Jim Scarrow, City of Prince Albert
Mr. Fred Searle, Project Planner, Department of Urban Planning, City of Regina

News media representatives:

Ms. Angela Hall, Reporter, Canwest News
Ms. Stefani Langenegger, Reporter, CBC Radio (Saskatchewan)
Mr. James Wood, Reporter, Canwest News

Other leaders and officials:

Mr. Dave Button, Vice-President of Administration, University of Regina
Ms. Jarita Greyeyes, Muskeg Lake Cree Nation Governance Coordinator and former Rawlco Aboriginal Saskatchewan Legislative Intern (2007)

The interns met with officials involved with the Station 20 West project in Saskatoon, the All Nations Healing Hospital in Fort Qu'Appelle, and the Regina Anti-Poverty Ministry. They also spent a day with Chief Perry Bellegarde and the council of the Little Black Bear First Nation.

One of the interns, Craig Fink, was able to tour Areva Resources Canada Inc.'s uranium operations at McArthur River and McClean Lake. Mr. Fink was invited to participate as part of a tour arranged and financed by the company for Members of the Legislative Assembly of Saskatchewan.

The interns have filed a report on their attendance at various conventions and events, as well as their meetings with several leaders.

> *"Our visit to family court stands out . . . . Watching the witnesses speak was especially powerful: mothers and fathers facing addictions, housing, and domestic violence issues giving testimony; and grandparents, aunts, and uncles hoping to take on the role of persons of sufficient interest (PSIs) when the children's parents cannot. Being in court showed another aspect of how the system works and does not work."*
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> *Sheena Gordon, 2010 Intern*

Out-of-Province Experiences

An important element of the Program's intern development component is the comparative study tour which involves the interns' travel to other jurisdictions. The purpose of this tour is to allow the interns to compare legislative and government processes against those which they have observed and experienced in Saskatchewan. The tour is organized by the interns and is funded through the intern development fund and through additional fund-raising undertaken by them.

In 2010, the interns' comparative study tour was divided into separate Canadian and international trips. The Canadian trip occurred from February 25 to March 5, 2010, and involved meetings in Toronto and Ottawa. The international trip occurred in the United States from June 1 to June 16, 2010 and involved stops in New York (New York), Washington (District of Columbia), and Richmond (Virginia), as well as sight-seeing side-trips to Philadelphia (Pennsylvania) and Dover (Delaware). The interns have filed a report on their tours, which can be accessed through the Program's website or by contacting the Office of the Clerk of the Legislative Assembly of Saskatchewan. A list of meetings and events attended by the interns during their tour is provided in Appendix D.

> *"It was fantastic for us to be inside [New York] City Hall and were treated very well. They spent several hours with us and gave us a private tour. We even got to see Mayor Bloomberg's office. He has converted several rooms into an open office space, where all of his staff works together in an energized team-oriented space with no separate offices. The Mayor has a small desk in a cubicle with low walls, just like everyone else."*
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> *2010 Interns' Joint Comparative Study Tour Report*

During the two comparative study tours, the 2010 Saskatchewan Legislative Interns had opportunities to meet with interns participating in other internship programs. In Toronto, they met interns in the Ontario Legislative Internship Program. In Ottawa, they met with interns in the Parliamentary Internship Program and with the Manitoba Legislative Internship Program. In the United States, they met with interns participating in the Virginia Commonwealth University Legislative Internship Program, as well as summer interns serving in the office of United States Senator Kent Conrad.

Community-Services Component

Each year, the Saskatchewan Legislative Interns are required to participate in a community-based activity in a volunteer capacity. In addition to providing personal support, the interns have an opportunity to learn about the objectives, structure, administration, challenges, and successes associated with a community event or organization.

This year, the interns completed their community-service requirement through two organizations. First, they volunteered a day of service to the Lumsden Heritage Home. They chose to visit this facility after hearing, during their attendance at the Saskatchewan Association of Rural Municipalities' convention, about the challenges faced by personal-care homes located in rural communities. The level 3 and 4 personal-care home in Lumsden offered the interns an opportunity to assist various employees who worked with the residents and to meet with administrators and other staff who provided their perspectives on addressing the needs of the elderly in Saskatchewan.

> *"In politics, it is easy to think of social programs and volunteer organizations merely as numbers without reflecting on the human element that truly drives the organization. By going to the Lumsden Heritage Home and the Regina Food Bank, we were able to witness the profound impact in our communities that these organizations play, and better understand how they operate."*
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> *Michael Selnes, 2010 Intern*

The interns volunteered a second day of community-service at the Regina Food Bank. This was a hands-on experience and involved sorting food and observing how this organization ensures that the people it serves are treated respectfully. The experience provided the interns with a greater appreciation of the extent to which the services provided by food banks are required in our province and the range of people to whom these services are provided.

Administrative Component

The interns perform various administrative duties pertaining to the operation of the Program. These duties vary from year to year depending on the Program's administrative requirements which cannot be otherwise provided through its existing support.

The following duties were assigned to the 2010 interns:

Craig Fink	• Business Manager • Facilitating communications with former interns
Sheena Gordon	• Arranging in-province meetings, conferences, seminars, etc. with organizations and individuals (including guest speakers) • Arranging social, community-service, and fund-raising events
Elise Lonie	• Special project – Developing an Interns' Handbook • Comparative-study Tour
Michael Selnes	• Administering a communications strategy for the Program, including managing correspondence on behalf of all interns • Promotion, including the recruitment of future interns

While individual interns assumed lead responsibility for managing a specific administrative duty, all interns were expected to assist their colleagues to ensure that the activities associated with these duties contributed to the Program's overall success.

2010 Special Events

SLIP-MLA Barbecue

Each year since 2007, the Saskatchewan Legislative Interns have organized a SLIP-MLA steak night event which provides an opportunity for Members of the Legislative Assembly to have an informal supper with current and former interns and other supporters of the Program. The net proceeds from this event are used by the interns to enhance their experience during their comparative study tour. The money can be used to finance entry to museums, side-tours to significant points of interest, or attendance at cultural or sporting events occurring at the time of the tour.

This year, organizing a steak night at a location other than the Legislative Building and that would accommodate the MLAs' schedule proved to be a challenge. Therefore, the 2010 interns decided to take a different approach to the annual SLIP fundraiser and instead, to organize a barbecue with the food-service provided in the Legislative Building's cafeteria.

The event was held on April 26, 2010. Hamburgers were barbecued on a grill located outside, near the southwest entrance to the Building. Unlike previous years where a restaurant managed the food-preparation and service functions, the Interns performed all the duties themselves.

Approximately 90 tickets were sold. After expenses, the event generated net proceeds of $1,139.34.

Many lessons were learned by the 2010 Interns about the time, effort, expectations, and risks involved in organizing such an event. These lessons have been documented in an administrative report for consideration by future SLIP interns when determining how they will organize this fundraising event next year and thereafter.

The interns used these proceeds to pay for a tour of the United Nations Building, attend Broadway performances, and take in a baseball game in Yankee Stadium in New York City. The net proceeds were also used to purchase tickets to museums and aquariums and to visit a state park in Delaware.

Reception and Banquet at the Annual Meeting of the Cooperators

The Cooperators Group has been a financial supporter of the Saskatchewan Legislative Internship Program since its inception. This year, its funding support to the Program was increased and it is now recognized as a "financial partner".

On April 14, 2010, The Cooperators Group invited the SLIP interns and administrative officials to attend the reception and banquet held in conjunction with the cooperative's annual meeting in Regina. The interns had an opportunity to meet Mr. Richard Lemoing, chair of its board of directors; Ms. Kathy Bardswick, its president and chief executive officer; and Mr. Frank Bomben, its director of public affairs and government relations.

During the banquet, the Saskatchewan Legislative Internship Program was publicly recognized. We also appreciated to hear directly from its senior officials that The Cooperators Group strongly supports the mandate and operations of the Program.

Wind-up and Appreciation Social Event

At the end of each internship, the Saskatchewan Legislative Interns host a reception to extend their thanks and appreciation to the officials, friends, and family members who contributed to their internship experience. Former interns are invited to attend.

This year, the interns' wind-up and appreciation social was held on July 21, 2010, at the La Bodega Restaurant in Regina. During this event, each 2010 Saskatchewan Legislative Intern was presented with a certificate, signed by Mr. Speaker and the SLIP director, which acknowledged their participation in the Saskatchewan Legislative Internship Program.

Alumni Support and Engagement

Former interns ("alumni") are invited to all public events sponsored by the Saskatchewan Legislative Internship Program. They participate annually in a luncheon event with the current interns, as part of the orientation component of the Program.

This year, former SLIP interns Fabian Contreras (2004 Intern), Justin Leifso (2006 Intern), Michel Carpentier (2006 Intern), and Patrick Button (2008 Intern) met with the 2010 interns and provided perspectives, based on their experience, on how best to use the opportunities provided by the Saskatchewan Legislative Internship Program.

Former Rawlco Aboriginal Saskatchewan Legislative Intern Jarita Greyeyes (2007 Intern) arranged for this year's interns to attend a pow wow at the Muskeg Lake First Nation. Former SLIP intern Rhiannon Stromberg (2005 Intern) assisted with arranging the portions of the interns' tours at offices of the Organization of American States and at the International Monetary Fund in Washington, D.C.

An alumni newsletter, known as the *Alumni Report*, is published by the Program and is distributed to all former interns. It is also posted on SLIP's website. The 2010 edition of the *Alumni Report* was published in November 2010.

The purpose of the newsletter is to provide an on-going link between former interns and the Program. Alumni are profiled in the newsletter. Through their accomplishments, we are able to promote the career-development potential of the Program to students and potential sponsors.

Finances

Funders and Sponsors

Funders and sponsors of the Saskatchewan Legislative Internship Program have been categorized according to the amount and use of their contributions. The following are the sources of funding for all components of the 2010 Saskatchewan Legislative Internship Program:

Financial Partners

Legislative Assembly of Saskatchewan
The Cooperators Group
University of Regina
University of Saskatchewan

Corporate Sponsors

Saskatchewan Government Insurance (SGI)
First Canadian Title

Program Sponsors

AREVA Resources Canada Limited *
Canadian Study of Parliament Group
Saskatchewan Association of Health Organizations
Saskatchewan Chamber of Commerce
Saskatchewan Urban Municipalities Association

Intern Sponsors

Office of the Dean, Faculty of Arts, University of Regina (Goldman Travel Fund)
University of Regina Students' Union

Donors

Patrick Button (2008 Intern)
Avery Kelly (2008 Intern) *

* First-time sponsors and donors in 2010.

The Co-operators Group moved from the corporate-sponsorship category to being a financial partner in 2010. This co-operative organization has provided funding for the Saskatchewan Legislative Internship Program in every year since the Program's inception in 2002. In 2010, the Co-operators Group increased its annual grant to SLIP from $3,000 to $4,500. It is currently the largest non-government and non-university financial supporter of the Saskatchewan Legislative Internship Program.

Core Program

The Legislative Assembly of Saskatchewan provides funding for scholarships for four Saskatchewan Legislative Interns ($14,000 each in 2010), for all expenses incurred by these interns during their mentorship with private members of the Assembly, and for the honorarium and expenses of the Program's director.

Intern Development

Most of the funding for the intern-development component of the Saskatchewan Legislative Internship Program is generated through initiatives and requests undertaken by the Program's director and other supporters. Another source of intern-development funding is obtained through direct application by the interns to financial programs that support student travel experiences, such as those offered by the Program.

2009-10 Financial Statements

The Saskatchewan Legislative Internship Program's statement of revenues and expenses for the period from October 1, 2009 to September 30, 2010, inclusive, has been provided in Appendix B of this report. The Program's finances are administered through four funds. The core program is funded by the Legislative Assembly of Saskatchewan. The funding received from financial partners, corporate sponsors, and donors for the intern development fund and the Rawlco Aboriginal internship fund is administered by the University of Saskatchewan. A credit union account has been established to manage the interns' fund-raising activities.

During 2009-10, the four funds realized revenues of $85,422 and expenses of $100,453, for an overall deficit of $15,031. The deficit is attributed to the repayment of previous years' unallocated funding to Rawlco Radio. The Rawlco Aboriginal Saskatchewan Legislative

Internship component of the Program was completed in 2009, leaving an unallocated amount of $15,813.82. The unallocated funding was largely due to a Ralwco intern not completing the 2009 internship. Adjusting for the repayment of this unallocated funding, the Program ended the 2009-10 fiscal year with a $783 surplus.

The balance sheet for the intern development fund, the Rawlco Aboriginal internship fund, and the interns' fund-raising account has also been provided in Appendix B. The core component of the Program is fully funded by the Legislative Assembly of Saskatchewan and as such, ends each year without a surplus or a deficit.

The intern development fund has been in existence since the Program began and had an accumulated surplus of $12,681 as at September 30, 2010. With the completion of this portion of the Program and following the repayment of unallocated funding, the Rawlco Aboriginal Internship Fund ended 2009-10 with a nil balance. The interns' fund-raising account ended the year with cash of $39 and a credit-union membership share of $5.00. The combined accumulated surplus for all funds was $12,735 on September 30, 2010; this compares with $27,766 on September 30, 2009.

Governance

Memorandum of Agreement

The Saskatchewan Legislative Internship Program exists through a memorandum of agreement between the University of Saskatchewan and the University of Regina. The memorandum, signed in 2007, formalizes the universities' support for, and participation in, the Program. The agreement articulates the role of the director and the SLIP Advisory Committee, the academic credits provided by both universities to the Program's interns, the provision of liability insurance coverage to the interns, and the administration of the Intern Development Fund.

Saskatchewan Legislative Internship Program Advisory Committee

The program's advisory committee provides governance for managing the Saskatchewan Legislative Internship Program. The committee consists of the following individual:

The Speaker of the Legislative Assembly of Saskatchewan
One representative from the University of Saskatchewan
One representative from the University of Regina
One representative from each of the Government and Opposition caucuses
The Clerk of the Legislative Assembly of Saskatchewan
The Director of the Saskatchewan Legislative Internship Program

The Speaker of the Legislative Assembly serves as the chair of the committee.

The committee did not meet during the 2009-10 fiscal year.

Saskatchewan Legislative Internship Program Selection Committee

Applications for the internships are accepted from university students and recent graduates who identify Saskatchewan as their permanent residence. Each year, the current interns take a lead responsibility for promoting the Program to students.

For the 2010 Program, the 2009 interns promoted the program through short-presentations to selected 200 and 300 level classes at the University of Regina and the University of Saskatchewan., as well as offering an information table in the Arts Tunnel at the University of Saskatchewan and the career fair at the University of Regina. There were also attempts made, through the Aboriginal Student Centre and the Aboriginal Public Administration Program at the University of Saskatchewan, to attract applications from First Nations and Métis students.

All SLIP applications are reviewed by the Saskatchewan Legislative Internship Program's Selection Committee which creates a short-list of applicants who will be considered for the Program, conducts interviews of the short-listed applicants, and makes the decisions on the applicants who will be offered internship positions. The decisions of this Committee are final and are not subject to review or reconsideration by funders, sponsors, elected members of the Legislative Assembly or any other body or program or other elected or appointed bodies who participate with the Program.

The members of the Selection Committee are nominated by various university, administrative, and caucus bodies associated with the program. Upon selection to the committee, the members are not accountable to these bodies, but rather to the Program and to ensuring that the best possible applicants are offered internship positions.

The members of the SLIP Selection Committee who selected the 2010 interns were:

Dr. Kalowatie Deonandan, Associate Professor of Political Science, University of Saskatchewan
Ms. Monique Lovatt, Manager, Interparliamentary Relations and Protocol, Legislative Assembly of Saskatchewan
Dr. Thomas McIntosh, Associate Professor of Political Science, University of Regina
Mr. Ken Pontikes, Director, Saskatchewan Legislative Internship Program
Mr. Andrew Restall, 2009 Saskatchewan Legislative Intern
Mr. Herman Rolfes, former Speaker of the Legislative Assembly of Saskatchewan
Mr. Arnold Tusa, former Speaker of the Legislative Assembly of Saskatchewan

The SLIP Director served as the chair of this committee.

For the 2010 internship program, the Committee considered 22 applications. Of these applications, seven were from students or recent graduates of the University of Saskatchewan, fourteen from the University of Regina, and one from the First Nations University of Canada.

Officers and Staff

The Hon. Don Toth, Speaker of the Legislative Assembly of Saskatchewan, serves as the honorary patron of the Saskatchewan Legislative Internship Program. He is also the chair of the Saskatchewan Legislative Internship Program Advisory Committee.

Mr. Ken Pontikes serves as the director of the Program and chair of the Saskatchewan Legislative Internship Program Selection Committee. Mr. Pontikes has been appointed to the director position by the Speaker of the Legislative Assembly. This appointment is made from a joint recommendation of the University of Saskatchewan and the University of Regina and following a review by the SLIP Advisory Committee. Mr. Pontikes is serving in his second term as director, with the appointment continuing until October 31, 2011.

The Saskatchewan Legislative Internship Program does not directly employ any staff. Staff support is provided through the universities and the Legislative Assembly of Saskatchewan. The staff support for 2010 was provided by the following individuals:

Ken Pontikes, Professional Affiliate, University of Saskatchewan
Monique Lovatt, Manager of Interparliamentary Relations and Protocol, Office of the Clerk of the Legislative Assembly of Saskatchewan
Blair Pisio, Administrative Officer and Graduate Student Program Co-ordinator, Department of Political Studies, University of Saskatchewan

Acknowledgements

Many individuals support and assist with the operations of the Saskatchewan Legislative Internship program. Among the most important are the Government and Opposition caucuses who allow the interns to work within their offices each year and the individual members of the Legislative Assembly of Saskatchewan who volunteer to mentor an intern over a three-month period. SLIP is fortunate to have the support of MLAs on both sides of the House who are willing to share their knowledge and experiences with the interns.

We also want to thank the elected members of legislatures and parliaments; public servants; business, union, and community leaders; academics; and journalists in Saskatchewan, Toronto, Ottawa, New York, Washington (D.C.), and Richmond who met with the Saskatchewan Legislative Interns. Our interns appreciated their candid perspectives on current political, public-policy, and administrative challenges and issues.

We would like to acknowledge the support that we received from the Parliamentary Internship Program (PIP) and the Ontario Legislative Internship Program (OLIP) in organizing components of the Saskatchewan Legislative Interns' comparative-study trip to Ottawa and Toronto. In particular, we would like to thank the PIP's program manager, JoAnne Cartwright, and one of PIP interns, Janique Dubois (a former resident of Saskatchewan), as well as Eithne Whaley, an administrative assistant with the OLIP, for their assistance in arranging meetings and coordinating the schedule of the Saskatchewan Legislative Interns.

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Contact Information

Further information about the Saskatchewan Legislative Internship Program, including an application form, can be obtained from the Program's website at: www.legassembly.sk.ca/internship. Also, the Program's Director, Ken Pontikes, can be contacted by e-mail at kpontikes@sasktel.net or by mail at:

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Appendix A

SASKATCHEWAN LEGISLATIVE INTERNSHIP PROGRAM
2010 INTERNS

Craig Fink attended Miller Comprehensive High School in Regina, where he consistently over four years was recognized on the honour roll. He was chosen as the salutatorian for his graduating class in grade 12.

Craig played the tuba in his high school's concert band. He participated in improvisational theatre. In grade eleven, he was a member of the Miller Improv Team which placed fourth out of 30 teams from across the country at the Canadian Improv Games in Ottawa. He was also active in high-school curling.

In 2009, Craig convocated with great distinction at the University of Regina. He received a Bachelor of Arts degree, with a double major in English and Political Science. As part of his post-secondary education, he received numerous awards and scholarships, including the Saskatchewan Knights of Columbus Bursary, Centennial Merit Plus Scholarship, Academic Gold Scholarships, Torville Scholarship, Alpha Sigma Nu Scholarship, Rev. Angus McDougall Memorial Award, Anne Giroux Memorial Bursary, and the Leslie A. Dybvig Scholarship.

During his final year at the University of Regina, he served as the Vice President of Operations and Finance for the University of Regina Students' Union. Craig's responsibilities ranged from overseeing the operations of the Lazy Owl to participating in the development of a campus-wide risk-management policy to lobbying government officials on behalf of students.

When he began his university education, Craig also began to play bass guitar, eventually forming a rock band known as the Polymaths. Craig served as the principal songwriter and bass player, as well as internal manager, for the band which recorded two albums and played at numerous public events and festivals, including the Regina Folk Festival.

In 2008, Craig played the role of Dimitri in the Regina's Globe Theatre production of The Decadent Flip Mod. Craig also served on the board of directors of the Saskatchewan Cultural Exchange Society.

"As a future civil servant, it is crucial to know the way the legislative process impacts policy development and implementation. This internship gave me an up-close look at how policy proposals work through the legislative system, and how public opinion can impact the policy agenda. The best policy proposal is not always the most popular, and often proposals that are poor public policy gain favour with the general public. This knowledge will help me as I move forward into a career in policy development."

Craig is currently enrolled at the University of Victoria where he is pursuing a Master's degree in public administration.

Sheena Gordon was born and raised in Regina. She attended Campbell Collegiate and spent a semester in Trek School, a holistic outdoor-education program offered through the Regina School Board. During high school, Sheena was actively involved in various music programs and the outdoors club.

Following high school, Sheena enrolled at the University of Regina. After a year of study, she decided to work abroad, traveling to Dublin, Edinburgh and Belfast, as well as visiting many places in Europe. Sheena then returned to the University of Regina where she convocated in June 2008 with a Bachelor of Arts degree (High Honours in Geography). The primary focus of her degree was environmental sustainability and community development.

Her academic program included one semester at the Universidad del Oriente in Santiago de Cuba (Cuba) where she experienced the challenges and blessings of a long-standing political embargo. She also worked as a student researcher in Grasslands National Park where she studied climate change.

Sheena received several academic scholarships and awards, including the Elsie Feuring Music Appreciation Prize, the Academic Gold Scholarships, the Luther College Faculty Scholarship, and the Regal Social Association of Regina Bursary. She has been recognized on the Faculty of Arts Dean's honours list.

Sheena has had an eclectic work experience. She has been a singing teacher, waitress, student researcher, dessert chef, mess hall cook and administrative assistant. She has also volunteered with several groups, most recently the Lumsden Beach Camp and the North Central Family Centre.

Sheena has enjoyed the time she has spent in the Saskatchewan Legislative Internship Program. She feels she received an excellent political education over the past seven months.

Sheena will be busy in the months following the internship. She was married in mid-August and gave birth to Hazel in September 2010.

"SLIP has taught me what it means to be a career politician, the struggles of being a non-partisan bureaucrat in a political business, and how non-governmental organizations relate to and approach the government. I have learnt the skills of engaging with speakers and asking intelligent questions, the art of striking up conversations at official functions, and the ability to navigate through times without direction. SLIP has been an absolutely wonderful experience."

Elise Lonie was born in Edmonton. At the age of five, she and her family moved to Strasbourg, Saskatchewan, where she attended William Derby School from kindergarten to grade 12 and where she completed each of her last six grades with great distinction. She was recognized with awards of excellence in mathematics, law, and calculus. She was also awarded the Governor General's award and several scholarships.

Elise participated in many high-school activities, including volleyball, basketball, track and field, drama, choir, and Students' Against Drinking and Driving. She was involved in student government and served as class co-president. Her extracurricular activities included working at several part-time and summer jobs, including positions at the local gas station/deli and at the town museum.

In 2006, Elise enrolled in the Faculty of Education at the University of Regina. However, after the completion of her first year of studies and a brief trip to eastern Europe where she experienced international politics, she decided to switch to the Faculty of Arts and pursue an honours major in political science and a major in history. She subsequently received several scholarships and awards, including the Academic Silver Scholarships, Beta Sigma Phi Regina Council Award, and the Grange Benevolent Society of Saskatchewan Educational Scholarship. She has been recognized on the Faculty of Arts Dean's honours list.

Elise was involved in volunteer work with the University of Regina's Ambassador Program and with Amnesty International. She assisted weekly at an English as an Additional Language program for elementary (K-8) students at Thompson Community School in Regina. In 2009, she participated in Arts CARES, where she volunteered at the Regina Open Door Society and attended discussions about community issues and solutions in Regina.

In addition to being a full-time student and doing volunteer work, Elise has also held several part time retail sales and service jobs. She has also had a summer position as a maintenance worker at Rowan's Ravine Provincial Park.

"I have had the opportunity to see parts of the province that I have never seen before – I mean both in a geographical sense and in the sense of meeting people and being in circumstances I would not have been in otherwise. I am prouder to be from Saskatchewan than ever before."

In her spare time, Elise likes to read, paint, and spend time outdoors. She also loves to travel and has visited numerous countries in Europe. She has taken university classes in Spanish and enjoys weekly opportunities to practice the language. Elise has a strong interest in courses involving international issues and politics. For example, in the fall of 2009, she participated in a 10-day interdisciplinary-studies course on food sovereignty which took place in Mexico City. She appreciated the opportunity through the SLIP internship to visit the headquarters of international organizations like the United Nations, Organization of American States and the International Monetary Fund.

Elise was married to Andrew Sammons in August 2010, and then in September, she returned to the University of Regina to finish the requirements of her B.A. Honours program. She plans to convocate in the spring of 2011. After the completion of her undergraduate work, Elise has ambitions to pursue a Master's Degree in international relations, preferably abroad.

Michael Selnes was born in Melfort. He attended Melfort and Union Comprehensive Collegiate, where he was an avid athlete, participated in the swing choir, and was co-president of the students' council. He graduated with an advanced high-school diploma and received the Co-op Leadership Award and Scholarship and the University of Calgary Scholars Advantage Scholarship.

Prior to beginning his post secondary education, Michael spent a year in Dusseldorf, Germany, as a Rotary exchange student. Despite having no previous background in the German language, he attended classes at the Goerres Gymnasium and finished his year relatively fluent in German.

In 2004, Michael enrolled at the University of Calgary and pursued a double major in history and the German language. Michael was recognized twice on the Dean's honours list. He finished his University course work in German at the Canadian Summer School at the University of Kassel. He convocated with distinction in November 2009.

During his second year at the University of Calgary, Michael served as a floor leader for the Residence Students Association. He was also elected to the Students' Union as an external commissioner. The following year, he was re-elected to the Students' Union as the vice-president responsible for policy development, government advocacy, media relations, and liaising with external organizations, including the Canadian Alliance of Students Associations. His major focus of attention was advocating on behalf of students on housing issues.

Michael was the chair of the Council of Alberta University Students, an umbrella organization which represents over 70,000 students at all of Alberta's universities and which liaises on their behalf with the government of Alberta. He was also a founder of the Calgary Student Caucus, an organization which advocates on municipal issues affecting students attending all post secondary institutions in Calgary. He served for two years as a member of the University of Calgary Senate, as well as several of its committees, including the executive committee.

"Whether seeing the inside of [New York City Mayor] Michael Bloomberg's office, observing a band council meeting or researching a private members bill, I had many unforgettable experiences that have broadened my horizons. I improved my research skills, got a crash course in politics, met some unbelievable characters and woke up every morning knowing I was going to work in the most beautiful building in the province. Pretty good, eh!"

Besides his academic and student-politics activities, Michael was a member of the University of Calgary's snowboarding club; he also participated on various intramural teams and sang in the University Chorus. Michael was a member of a University chamber choir which sang in 2005 at Carnegie Hall in New York City.

In the fall of 2010, Michael moved to Ottawa with his partner Laura, who is participating in the Parliamentary Internship Program. Upon completion of this internship, they plan to return to western Canada where Michael hopes to attend law school.

Appendix B

SASKATCHEWAN LEGISLATIVE INTERNSHIP PROGRAM
INTERN DEVELOPMENT FUND, RAWLCO ABORIGINAL INTERNSHIP FUND, AND INTERNS' FUND-RAISING ACCOUNT

Balance Sheet
September 30, 2010

Assets		
Cash		$ 54.35
Due from University of Saskatchewan (Note 1)		12,680.52
Total Assets		$ 12,734.87
Accumulated Surplus		
Intern Development	$ 12,680.52	
Rawlco Aboriginal Internship (Note 5)	-	
Interns' Fund-raising Account (Note 6)	54.35	$ 12,734.87
Liabilities and Accumulated Surplus		$ 12,734.87

Statement of Revenues and Expenses
Core Program, Intern Development, Rawlco Internship, and Interns' Fund-raising
For the Period from October 1, 2009 to September 30, 2010

	Core Program	Intern Develop-ment	Rawlco Internship (Note 5)	Interns' Fund-Raising Account	Total
Revenues					
Legislative Assembly of Sask.	$ 83,230.56				$ 83,230.56
Rawlco Radio			$ (15,813.82)		(15,813.82)
University of Regina					
o Faculty of Arts		$ 4,000.00			4,000.00
o Goldman Travel Fund				$ 600.00	600.00
University of Saskatchewan					
o President's Office		4,000.00			4,000.00
The Cooperators Group		4,500.00			4,500.00
SGI		1,000.00			1,000.00
First Canadian Title		1,000.00			1,000.00
University of Regina Students' Union				1,360.00	1,360.00
Donors		75.00			75.00
Interns' Fund-raising (Note 2)				1,470.00	1,470.00
Interest Revenue				0.14	0.14
Interfund Transfer (Note 4)		1,960.00		(1,960.00)	
Total Revenues (Notes 2, 3, and 4)	$83,230.56	$ 16,535.00	$ (15,813.82)	$1,470.14	$ 85,421.88
Expenses					
Academic Director – Honorarium	$13,139.06				$ 13,139.06
Interns – Scholarship	56,000.00				56,000.00
Travel – Director	3,057.15				3,057.15
Travel – Interns	4,965.92	$ 15,789.65		$1,115.28	21,870.85
Intern Selection (Note 7)	1,401.43				1,401.43
Administrative and Other Expenses	4,667.00			317.41	4,984.41
Total Expenses	$ 83,230.56	$ 15,789.65	Nil	$1,432.69	$ 100,452.90
Surplus/(Deficit)	Nil	$ 745.35	$ (15,813.82)	$ 37.45	$(15,031.02)

Notes to Financial Statements:

1. All cash for the Intern Development Fund and for the Rawlco Aboriginal Internship Fund are being held, on behalf of the program, by the University of Saskatchewan.

2. The interns organized a fund-raising event to provide supplementary financing for their comparative study tour. A barbecue for members of the Legislative Assembly of Saskatchewan and other supporters of SLIP was held on April 26, 2010. The event generated a surplus of $1,139.34 (revenues of $1,470.00 less expenses of $330.66) for the interns. These funds were used to finance entry to various cultural and sporting events occurring during their comparative study tour.

3. The Program received in-kind support from AREVA Resources Canada Limited, the Canadian Study of Parliament Group, the Saskatchewan Association of Health Organizations, the Saskatchewan Chamber of Commerce, and the Saskatchewan Urban Municipalities Association. The value of this in-kind support is not included in the SLIP financial statements.

4. The interns who were registered students of the University of Regina were eligible to apply for travel grants from the University of Regina Students' Union and the Goldman Travel Fund. These amounts were directly granted to the interns. These grants were initially deposited into the Interns' Fund-raising Account and then transferred to the Intern Development Fund. All amounts from these grants were used to finance eligible comparative study travel expenses incurred by the University of Regina's interns through the Intern Development Fund.

5. The Rawlco Aboriginal Saskatchewan Legislative Internship concluded in 2009. Unutilized funding supplied by Rawlco Radio for this internship, totaling $15,813.82, was repaid to the donor. Most of the unutilized funds occurred because the intern selected for 2009 did not complete her internship.

6. An account held by the Affinity Credit Union is used to manage the interns' fund-raising activities. At the end of the fiscal year, the account had a balance of $54.35 which consisted of the account's $5.00 membership fee and $49.35 in cash available for use in a future year.

7. Intern selection expenses pertain to the travel, accommodation, and meal costs associated with interviewing candidates for the 2011 internship. These costs were incurred in 2009-10 by candidates and by members of the Program's selection committee.

Appendix C

SASKATCHEWAN LEGISLATIVE INTERNSHIP PROGRAM
2010 ORIENTATION COMPONENT

During the orientation component of the Saskatchewan Legislative Internship Program, the 2010 Saskatchewan Legislative Interns met with the following people:

Office of the Lieutenant Governor of Saskatchewan

His Honour the Honourable Dr. Gordon L. Barnhart, Lieutenant Governor of Saskatchewan

Legislative Assembly of Saskatchewan

Office of the Speaker of the Legislative Assembly
Hon. Don Toth, Speaker

Legislative Assembly Services
Ms. Melissa Bennett, Legislative Librarian
Ms. Michelle Giese, Reference and Electronic Resources Librarian
Mr. Darcy Hislop, Chief Technology Officer
Mr. Vern Kawaleski, Special Constable
Ms. Pat Kolesar, Assistant Legislative Librarian
Ms. Laura MacDonald, Systems Analyst
Ms. Ginette Michaluk, Assistant Director, Human Resources and Administrative Services
Mr. Randy Pidhorodetsky, Network Analyst
Mr. Greg Putz, Clerk of the Legislative Assembly
Mr. Ken Ring, Law Clerk and Parliamentary Counsel
Mr. Maurice Riou, Special Constable

Committees of the Legislative Assembly
Ms. Iris Lang, Principal Clerk
Ms. Kathy Burianyk, Committee Clerk

Caucus Operations
Mr. Gerald Proctor, Chief of Staff, Government Caucus
Mr. Stephen Moore, Chief of Staff, Opposition Caucus

Officers of the Legislative Assembly of Saskatchewan

Chief Electoral Officer
Mr. Dave Wilkie, Acting Chief Electoral Officer *

Children's Advocate
Mr. Marvin Bernstein, Children's Advocate
Mr. John Brand, Director of Advocacy
Ms. Laura Beard, Director of Investigations and Director of Public Education and Communications

Conflict of Interest Commissioner
Mr. Gerald Gerrand, Conflict of Interest Commissioner

Information and Privacy Commissioner
Mr. Gary Dickson, Information and Privacy Commissioner

Provincial Auditor
Mr. Fred Wendel, Provincial Auditor

Provincial Ombudsman
Mr. Kevin Fenwick, Provincial Ombudsman

Ministries and Agencies of Government

Executive Council
Mr. Cole Goertz, Executive Director, Government House Business and Research
Mr. Rick Mantey, Cabinet Secretary and Clerk of Executive Council
Ms. Nancy Martin, Senior Policy Advisor

Finance
Mr. Al Dennett, Executive Director, Estimates *
Ms. Raelynn Douglas, Director, Performance Management Branch

Public Service Commission
Ms. Karen Aulie, Assistant Chair, Human Resource Client Service and Support Division
Ms. Dawna Griffith, Director, Recruitment and Employment Programs

Other Participants

Johnson-Shoyama Graduate School of Public Policy
Dr. Daniel Beland, Professor and Canada Research Chair in Public Policy
Dr. Sylvain Charlebois, Acting Associate Director
Mr. Dan Perrins, Director of Outreach and Training *
Ms. Kara Vincent, Student Experience Officer, Outreach & Training Unit
Dr. Jennifer Wallner, Assistant Professor

Saskatchewan Federation of Labour
Mr. Don Anderson, Executive Assistant

Saskatchewan News Network
Mr. Murray Mandryk, Columnist, Regina Leader Post

* Indicates people with whom the interns held additional meetings following their initial orientation session.

Appendix D

SASKATCHEWAN LEGISLATIVE INTERNSHIP PROGRAM
2010 COMPARATIVE-STUDY TOURS

During the 2010 comparative-study tours, the 2010 Saskatchewan Legislative Interns met with the following people:

Toronto

Colonel Cameron, Chief Aide de Camp to the Lieutenant Governor of Ontario
Mr. Andre Marin, Ombudsman, Province of Ontario
Mr. Gord Miller, Environmental Commissioner, Province of Ontario
Mr. Gay Peall, Deputy Auditor General, Province of Ontario
Mr. Michael Prue, Ontario Member of Provincial Parliament (Beaches – East York)

Ottawa

Parliamentarians of Canada

Mr. Ray Boughen, Member of Parliament, Palliser
Hon. Stéphane Dion, Member of Parliament, St. Laurent-Cartierville
Hon. Ralph Goodale, Member of Parliament, Wascana
Hon. Peter Mackay, Minister of Defence and Member of Parliament, Central Nova
Mr. Richard Nadeau, Member of Parliament, Gatineau
Hon. Pamela Wallin, Senator, Saskatchewan

Officers and Officials of Parliament

Mr. Marc Bosc, Deputy Clerk of the House
Mr. Marc Mayrand, Chief Electoral Officer, Elections Canada
Mr. Kevin Vickers, Sergeant at Arms of the House of Commons

Departments, Agencies, and Crown Corporations

Dr. Timothy Lane, Deputy Governor, Bank of Canada
Mr. Rene Ouellette, Canadian Security Intelligence Service
Mr. Brian Saunders, Director, Public Prosecutions Service of Canada
Business Development Bank of Canada (Individual names not known)

Supreme Court of Canada

Hon. Madam Justice Louise Charron

High Commission of Australia

Mr. Justin Brown, High Commissioner to Canada

Canadian Parliamentary Press Gallery

Mr. David Akin, Sun Media
Mr. Jim Travers, Toronto Star

Other Participants

Mr. Keith Beardsley, True North Public Affairs (former deputy chief of staff to Prime Minister Stephen Harper)
Ms. Clare Demerse, Pembina Institute
Dr. David Dyment, Centre on North American Politics and Society, Carleton University
Ms. Roberta Kramchynsky, Global Public Affairs
Ms. Elizabeth May, Leader, Green Party of Canada
Ms. Genevieve Young, Global Public Affairs

New York

Diplomatic Officials

Mr. Alan Bowman, Counsellor, Canadian Mission to the United Nations
Ms. Mary Ann Dehler, Communications Officer, Canadian Consulate to New York
Mr. John McNab, Deputy Consul General, Canadian Consulate to New York

Municipal Officials

Ms. Kirsten Eiler, Policy Analyst, Long Term Planning and Sustainability, Mayor's Office of Operations, New York City
Mr. Ryan Whalen, Chief of Staff to the Deputy Mayor (Government Affairs and Communications), New York City

Other Participants

Dr. Robert Jervis, Professor, Department of Political Science, Columbia University
Mr. Kyle Knight, Children's Rights Division, Human Rights Watch
Ms. Kathryn Semogas, Communications, Human Rights Watch

Washington, D.C.

Diplomatic Officials

Dr. Dan Abele, Head of Research and Academic Relations, Canadian Embassy
Mr. Pierre Giroux, Counsellor and Alternate Representative, Canadian Mission to the Organization of American States
Ms. Anne Mattson Gauss, First Secretary (Federal, Provincial, and Parliamentary Affairs), Canadian Embassy
Ms. Aline Hommes, Specialist, Secretariat for External Relations, Organization of American States
Ms. Sherry Stephenson, Head, Institutional Relations, Secretariat for External Relations, Organization of American States

Congressional Officials

Mr. Carl Ek, Specialist in International Relations, Congressional Research Service
Mr. Ian Ferguson, Specialist in International Relations, Congressional Research Service
Ms. Dana Halvorson, Deputy Health Policy Advisor, Office of Senator Kent Conrad (D-North Dakota)

Government Officials

Ms. Emily H. Barragan, International Trade Specialist, Office of NAFTA and Inter-American Affairs, United States Department of Commerce
Mr. Peter Bowman, International Economist, United States Department of Commerce

Other Participants

Dr. Jeff Biggs, Director, Congressional Fellowship Program, American Political Science Association
Mr. David Biette, Canada Director, Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars
Mr. Camilo Bonilla, Student Participant, Young Americans Business Trust
Mr. David Broder, Columnist, Washington Post
Mr. Kwon, Student Participant, Young Americans Business Trust
Dr. Tamara Woroby, Senior Adjunct Professor of Canadian Studies, Johns Hopkins School of Advanced International Studies (former resident of Saskatchewan)
Mr. David Vannier, Public Relations Officer, External Affairs Department, International Monetary Fund

Richmond, Virginia

Mr. George Bishop, Deputy Clerk of the House (Administrative and Support Services)
Mr. Jay Braxton, Procurement and Logistics Manager
Ms. Tami Carsillo, Media Specialist
Ms. Sharon Crouch Steidel, Systems Director
Ms. Beth Dingus, Fiscal Officer
Mr. Jeff Finch, Deputy Clerk of the House (Legislative Operations)
Mr. Mark Greenough, Supervisor and Historian, Capitol Tour Guides
Ms. Emily Howard, Journal Clerk
The Honorable Bruce Jamerson, Clerk of the House
Ms. Jeannine Layell, Indexing Supervisor
Mr. William H. Leighty, Program Director, Virginia Commonwealth University Legislative Internship Program (former chief of staff to the Governor of Virginia)
Mr. E. M. Miller, Jr., Director, Division of Legislative Services
Mr. Paul Van Lenten, Legislative Fiscal Analyst
Mr. Scott Maddrea, Deputy Clerk of the House (Committee Operations)
The Honorable James P. Massie, III, Member of the House of Representatives
The Honorable John M. O'Bannon, III, Member of the House of Representatives
Mr. Jay Pearson, Project Manager, Legislative Education and Development Programs
Ms. Jackie Scott, Legislative Engrossing, Enrolling and Indexing Manager
Ms. Barbara Teague, Senior Committee Coordinator
Ms. Tricia Vaughan, Legislative Process Manager